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For: STORAGE MEDIUM, AND DIGITAL )  
CAMERA AND IMAGE HANDLING )  
DEVICE USING SAID )

**RESPONSE**

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Sir:

An Interview Summary was mailed on November 5, 2004, setting forth the substance of the oral restriction requirement and Applicants' response thereto. It is not apparent whether a separate written reply to the Interview Summary is required, since an oral election is normally followed by an action on the merits of the elected claims. See MPEP §812.01.

However, in order that the record be complete, Applicants hereby confirm the voice-mail message left with Examiner Jerabek on October 8, 2004, electing claims 1-5 and 10-18.

Respectfully submitted,

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